

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 27TH SPECIAL OPERATIONS WING (AFSOC) CANNON AIR FORCE BASE NEW MEXICO

MEMORANDUM FOR CANNON AFB PERSONNEL

FROM: 27 SOW/CC

SUBJECT: Cannon Endorsement Memorandum on Combating Trafficking in Persons

- 1. Trafficking in Persons (TIP) is the second largest criminal activity in the world. It is defined as the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harboring or receipt of persons by means of threat, use of force, coercion, abduction, fraud, deception, abuse or exploitation. TIP is a grave violation of human rights and a worldwide criminal threat to security, civil rights, and stability as-well-as a direct threat to our national foreign policy goals. Due to the seriousness of the crime, the egregious results in terms of human tragedy, and the disabling impact on our military readiness, the Air Force has established a zero tolerance policy for TIP.
- 2. I fully endorse the Air Force's zero tolerance for TIP and I expect all members stationed at Cannon AFB to be aware of the negative impacts TIP could have on our installation's readiness and professional climate. All Airmen should know which commercial establishments are considered off-limits and identify and report suspicious behavior that may indicate TIP activities to your chain of command, Security Forces, AFOSI, or Inspector General.
- 3. The Cannon AFB point of contact for TIP-related issues is the 27 SOFSS/FSDE Base Training Office, which can be reached at extension 575-784-6679.

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